

Cultural Arts July 2012 Calendar Of Events

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Cultural Arts & Community Events programs: www.artslasvegas.org

City of Las Vegas website: www.lasvegasnevada.gov

PROGRAMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Ethnic Express International Folk Dancing (ages 8+)

Wednesdays, July 11, 18, 25, 6:30 to 8:45 p.m.

Cost: \$4 dollars per person per week. Pay at the door.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Have an evening of international fun learning Armenian, Bulgarian, Israeli, Arabic, Macedonian, Russian, Greek, Turkish, Chinese and Serbian folk dances and more. No need to bring a partner. For more information, call 229-6383 or visit www.ethnicexpresslasvegas.org. Ethnic Express Folk Dancers is a nonprofit, volunteer organization.

Scottish Country Dancing (ages 13+)

Fridays, 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. (No dance July 27.)

Cost: \$5 per person at the door; \$4 for members of Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers. Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Scottish country dancing celebrates the beautiful ballroom dance styles of Scotland. Dances can be lively and joyful or gentle and graceful. From the first chord to the final bow or curtsey, participants will be inspired by the driving reels, jaunty jigs, snappy strathspeys or lilting airs. Dancers should wear comfortable clothes and soft shoes. Cosponsored by the Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers, a nonprofit volunteer organization. For more information, call 656-9513 or 229-6383, or go online to www.lasvegascountrydance.org.

Contra Dance (ages 8+)

Saturdays, July 7 and 28. Group lesson 6:30 p.m.; dance 7 to 10 p.m.

Cost: \$10 adults; \$5 members, students and military; \$3 children under 16 and non-dancing adults. Pay at the door.

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Dance to the live music of an acoustic band playing joyful fiddle tunes, driving reels and a waltz or two. All dances are taught and called; newcomers and families are welcomed. No need to bring a partner. Wear comfortable flat-soled shoes and casual clothing. For more information, call 656-9513 or 229-6383, or go online to www.lasvegascountrydance.org. Cosponsored by the Southern Nevada Old Time Contra Dancers, a nonprofit volunteer organization.

17th Annual Summer Youth Dance Camp (ages 8-18)

Monday-Friday, July 9-27, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Final performance July 28, 1:30 p.m.

Fee: \$200.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

This three-week dance camp will include in-depth classes in ballet, modern, jazz, contemporary jazz, Hip Hop and more for any level — beginner, intermediate and advanced dancers. Placement is required for all intermediate and advanced students. A student performance will be held Saturday, July 28, at 1:30 p.m. in the Charleston Heights Arts Center Jeanne Roberts Theatre of Performing Arts. Registration is available online at www.artslasvegas.org. For more information, call 229-6383.

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"True Story of the 3 Little Pigs by A. Wolf" performed by The Paul Mesner Puppets (all ages)

Thursday, July 12, performances at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$3 general admission. Group discount available for groups of 20 or more.

Historic Fifth Street School, 401 S. Fourth St., (702) 229-3515.

The Paul Mesner Puppets company has a reputation of offering elaborate productions with witty scripts, based on classic fairy tales and contemporary children's literature. In 2008, this production received the highest honor in U.S. puppetry, the Union Internationale de la Marionette-USA Citation for Excellence in Puppetry — an award created by Jim Henson. Puppet construction is by Paul Mesner. Musical arrangement and original score are by Rich Hill. Purchase tickets online at www.artslasvegas.org. For more information or to purchase tickets by telephone, call (702) 229-6383 or (702) 229-3515. For more information on Paul Mesner Puppets, go online to www.paulmesnerpuppets.org.

Monkey Monkey Band Children's Summer Concert (all ages)

Wednesday, July 18, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$3 general admission. Group discount available for groups of 20 or more.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Since 2011, when public television stations began airing Monkey Monkey music videos, children from New York to Los Angeles have grown to love Meredith LeVande and her high-energy songs that educate and entertain. Purchase tickets online at www.artslasvegas.org. For more information or to purchase tickets by telephone, call (702) 229-6383 or (702) 229-3515. For more information on the band, go online to www.monkeymonkeymusic.com.

USA Ballroom Dances (ages 13+)

Saturday, July 21, 7 to 11 p.m.; dance lesson at 7:30 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 for USA Dance members, military, and students ages 13-25; \$10 for non-members. Pay at the door.

Charleston Heights Arts Center, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Cosponsored by the USA Dance Las Vegas Chapter #4038, a local chapter of the national organization <u>USA Dance</u>. USA Dance Las Vegas is a volunteer organization, dedicated to the promotion of Ballroom dancing. Call (702) 813-6694 or (702) 229-6383 for more information, or go online to <u>www.usadancelasvegas.org</u>.

Alex & The Kaleidoscope Band Children's Summer Concert (all ages)

Thursday, July 26, performances at 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$3 general admission. Group discount available for groups of 20 or more.

Historic Fifth Street School, 401 S. Fourth St., (702) 229-3515.

Audiences of all ages will enjoy Alex & The Kaleidoscope Band and their lively, interactive songs about relationships, emotions, the natural world and just plain fun making music. Everyone sings, claps and dances with the band, which includes guitar, bass, drums and a jazz vocalist who leads the children in movement and dance. Purchase tickets online at www.artslasvegas.org. For more information or to purchase tickets by telephone, call (702) 229-6383 or (702) 229-3515. For more information on the band, go online to www.kaleidoscopesongs.com.

Exhibitions

"April Showers Bring May Flowers" Exhibition (all ages)

Through July 1, open by appointment.

No admission charge.

Historic Fifth Street School Mayor's Gallery, 401 S. Fourth St., (702) 229-1012.

An artist invitational exhibition featuring images of flowers. Artists include Tom Bisesti, Montana Black, Pat Caspary, Katherine Christensen, Lisa Fields Clark, Vina Curtis, Susanne Forestieri, Adolfo Gonzalez, Vija Hamilton, Bobbie Ann Howell, Mary Vail, and Lynda Whitehair. For more information, call (702) 229-1012.

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Celebrating Life! 2012 Juried Exhibition (all ages)

May 25-July 11; Wednesday-Friday, 12:30 to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Free admission and open to the public.

Charleston Heights Arts Center Ballroom, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

Celebrating Life! is the annual juried exhibit for artists age 50 and better. There are six media categories: Drawing/Pastel, Painting, Mixed Media, Photography, Sculpture and Ceramics, Watercolor and Gouache. This program is sponsored by the city of Las Vegas Arts Commission. For more detailed information about the program, awards and exhibition, visit www.artslasvegas.org or call 229-1012.

"Red, White and Blue" Exhibition (all ages)

Through July 19; Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Closed holidays. Free admission.

Las Vegas City Hall Chamber Gallery, 495 S. Main St., Second floor, (702) 229-1012.

This is an artist invitational exhibition exploring monochromatic patriotic colors through a variety of subject matter, as determined by each individual artist. Artists included in the exhibit are Erik Beehn, Diane Bush, Shane Cooper, Justin Favela, Stewart Freshwater, Richard Hooker, Sandra Ward and Joseph Watson. For more information, call (702) 229-1012.

"Mythos" Exhibition (all ages)

Artist K.D. Matheson

June 7-Aug. 23; Monday-Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Closed holidays.

Free admission.

Las Vegas City Hall Terrace Gallery, 495 S. Main St., Second floor, (702) 229-1012.

This collection of figures, masks and phantasmagoric totems is a sculptural safari into the realm of dreams, mythologies and magic. Artist reception date and time are to be determined.

"You are Here" Exhibition (all ages)

Artist David Lindsay

June 29-Sept. 1; Wednesday-Friday, 12:30 to 9 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Free admission and open to the public.

Charleston Heights Arts Center Gallery, 800 S. Brush St., (702) 229-6383.

David Lindsay grew up in the San Francisco bay area. After high school, he lived in northern Italy for two years. Although his purpose was not to study art, he could not help but be influenced by the art and architecture of that country. The influence of Italian painting and architecture can be seen in his work, but in a combination that is unique and creative. His work has been exhibited all over the United States, as well as in Italy and Romania. He currently is working on projects for venues in Las Vegas, Texas, Germany and Italy.

"Moonwalk: An Artist's Tribute to Michael Jackson" (all ages)

July 5-Aug. 20, during reception and by appointment. Artist's reception Wednesday, July 11, 6-8 p.m. Free admission.

Historic Fifth Street School Mayor's Gallery, 401 S. Fourth St., (702) 229-1012.

Artist Alex Krasky will show his collection of Michael Jackson portrait images.

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